



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

## CR-101 (August 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

CODE REVISER USE ONLY

OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER  
STATE OF WASHINGTON  
FILED

DATE: January 22, 2018

TIME: 9:36 AM

WSR 18-03-132

**Agency:** Health Care Authority

**Subject of possible rule making:** New section in Chapter 182-535 WAC Dental-Related Services. Other rules as appropriate.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160, SSB 5883, Sec 213(1)(nn), Chapter 1, Laws of 2017, 65<sup>th</sup> Legislature, 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> Special Session.

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** This rulemaking is necessary to implement Substitute Senate Bill 5883 which directs the agency to develop and implement a three-year pilot program to test the effect that enhanced dental benefits for adult Medicaid clients with diabetes and pregnant Medicaid clients have on access to dental care, health outcomes, and medical care costs. The pilot program must include enhanced reimbursement rates for specific current dental terminology codes for participating providers and an increase in the allowable number of periodontal treatments to up to four per calendar year. During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that are required in order to improve clarity or update policy.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** None.

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study

Other (describe) The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person

identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rulemaking (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

**Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:**

Name: Amy Emerson  
 Address: P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716  
 Phone: (360-725-1348  
 Fax: (360-586-9727  
 TTY: 1-800-848-5429  
 Email: amy.emerson@hca.wa.gov  
 Web site: [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking)  
 Other:

(If necessary)

Name:  
 Address:  
 Phone:  
 Fax:  
 TTY:  
 Email:  
 Web site:  
 Other:

Additional comments:

**Date:** January 22, 2018

**Name:** Wendy Barcus

**Title:** HCA Rules Coordinator

**Signature:**